

(ಶ್ರೀ ಬೋಳ ರಘುರಾಮ ಶೆಟ್ಟಿ)

ಎತ್‌ಡಾ ಮಾಡಿವ್ವಾರೋ ಇಲ್ಲವೋ ಎಂಬುದನ್ನು ಈ ಅಧಿವೇಶನ ಮುಗಿಯುವದರೊಳಗೆ ಮಾನ್ಯ ಮುಖ್ಯ ಮಂತ್ರಿಯವರು ಈ ಸಭೆಗೆ ತಿಳಿಸಬೇಕೆಂದು ಪ್ರಾರ್ಥನೆ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೇನೆ.

Mr. SPEAKER.—As regards scarcity conditions the matter was discussed for a number of days during this session and reply was also given. Now the hon'ble member stands up and makes some representation. It cannot be allowed. The hon'ble member should follow rules. If the hon'ble member wanted to raise that question he ought to have given prior intimation to me. Then I could have permitted it. There must be some procedure.

As regards the point raised by Sri Bhasker Shetty if the Chief Minister wants to make a statement he can do so either today or tomorrow or when it is convenient to him. I have no objection. Since the Assembly will be sitting only for a few more days the hon'ble member wants the statement to be made earlier. The Chief Minister may take his own time and make the statement before the conclusion of this session.

Sri VEERENDRA PATIL (Chief Minister).—I do not know whether I would be in a position to make the statement because as hon'ble members are aware the Chief Ministers' Conference which is to discuss about the future food policy has been convened already and it is going to be held at Delhi on 23rd and 24th. So I do not know whether it would be advisable on my part to make a statement before a final decision is taken by Government. However since I have a directive from you I will get this matter examined and if it is possible I will certainly make the statement. If it is not possible, I will not be able to do so.

CALLING ATTENTION TO A MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

Sri T. K. GANGI REDDY (Chintamani).—Sir, I call the attention of the Chief Minister to the lathi charges made on the students at Chintamani on the 9th September, 1968.

†Sri VEERENDRA PATIL.—Sir, it is reported that one Shri Prabhakar Reddy, a student of the Polytechnic, Chintamani, had rented a room belonging to one Shri Ayub Khan and was staying there along with three other students from 15th June 1967. These students vacated the room on 15-5-1968 allegedly without intimating the owner, after damaging certain electrical installations and without paying the electric consumption charges and arrears of rent.

On 8-9-1968 Shri Ayub Khan happened to meet Shri Prabhakar Reddy at Gajanan Hotel, Chintamani and demanded the rent, etc., due from him. There was an exchange of hot words. Thereafter Shri Prabhakar Reddy went to Chintamani Police Station at about 1-50 P.M. and gave an oral complaint that Shri Ayub Khan had slapped him and

insulted him in a public place. As Shri Prabhakar Reddy was not prepared to go to the hospital, the Sub Inspector instructed Shri Prabhakar Reddy to give a written complaint to enable him to start the proceedings. No written complaint was given. Shri Ayub Khan was secured in the evening at 7 P.M. and the matter was enquired into. Shri Ayub Khan denied having slapped Shri Reddy but admitted that there was an exchange of hot words between himself and Shri Reddy and gave the particulars relating to the dues, etc.

On the morning of 9th September 1968 the students of the Polytechnic and the Municipal First Grade College, numbering about 500 marched towards the house of Shri Ayub Khan, shouting slogans like "Down with Ayub Khan, etc.". It is alleged that they demanded a public apology and compensation from Shri Ayub Khan and started pelting stones at his house, cut the telephone wires and attempted to trespass into the House.

The Police rushed to the place with a view to restoring order. It is reported that the students resented the arrival of police and started pelting stones at them also. As a result P.C. 391 Sarvothama Rao and 297 Sheik Akbar sustained injuries. In the meanwhile, some of the students started climbing the tiled roof of Shri Ayub Khan and removing the tiles. The Municipal President, some Municipal Councillors and other gentlemen of the town and the Sub-Inspector tried to intervene and pacify the students. But they refused to heed to the advice and the situation was getting out of control. Therefore, in self-defence and in the defence of public property the police were obliged to disperse the mob by a mild lathi charge. As a result of the charge, one Shri Rajanna sustained a superficial injury and got himself treated as an out-patient in the Combined Hospital, Chintamani. Similarly the injured P.Cs. were also treated at the Combined Hospital, Chintamani.

In this connection a case in Chintamani Town PS Crime No. 40/68 u/s 143, 147, 148, 149, 21, 427 and 109 IPC has been registered and the investigation is in progress.

The situation in Chintamani is reported to be now completely under control. Students are attending their classes regularly. Further developments are under close watch.

Sri S. S. SHETTAR.—Sir, I have given notice of a privilege motion and it may be taken into consideration.

Mr. SPEAKER.—It has just come before me and I shall refer to it after the recess.

NOTICE OF ADJOURNMENT MOTION BY SRIYUTS T. R. SHAMANNA AND OTHERS

Mr. SPEAKER.—I have promised to this hon'ble House that I would give my ruling regarding the adjournment motion tabled by the hon'ble Members Sri T. R. Shamanna, Sri M. S. Krishnan, Sri Vatal Nagaraj and Sri P. Thimmiah.